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Guardrail work along Illinois 2 between Rockford and Byron begins Sept. 20

DIXON – The Illinois Department of Transportation announces today that weather permitting, construction on Illinois 2 between Luther Drive in Byron and Beltline Road in Rockford will begin Monday, Sept. 20.

Work will improve guardrails and other barriers along the road, which runs along the Rock River. One lane of traffic will be open and controlled by flaggers when workers are present. Collins & Hermann Inc. of St. Louis is the contractor of the \$802,542 project, which is expected to be completed by May 29, 2022.

Motorists can expect delays and should allow extra time for trips through this area and be prepared for slow and stopped traffic. To avoid the work area, when feasible, use of alternate routes should be considered. Drivers are urged to pay close attention to changed conditions and signs in the work zones, obey the posted speed limits, refrain from using mobile devices and be alert for workers and equipment.

Over the next six years, IDOT is planning to improve more than 3,535 miles of highway and 9 million square feet of bridge deck as part of the Rebuild Illinois capital program, which is investing \$33.2 billion into all modes of transportation. Accomplishments through Year Two included approximately \$5.2 billion of improvements statewide on 3,020 miles of highway, 270 bridges and 428 additional safety improvements.

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